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Sir:

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  X   Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. \$1.9 and \$1.27 has been previously established.

       A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. \$1.9 and \$1.27 is enclosed.

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| Independent Claims   | 2-                     | ** 3 =  | *** 0 X                          | \$110                | \$220        | = | 0            |              |
| Multiple Dependent Claim(s) Presented For First Time <u>      </u> Yes <u>  X  </u> No |                        |   |                                  | \$195                | \$390        | = | 0            |              |
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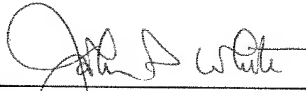
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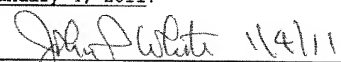
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Respectfully submitted,



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